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Blanche German-SalmonAMENDMENT AFTER APPEAL

Dear Sir:

The following remarks below are respectfully submitted in furtherance of the Notice of Appeal filed January 20, 2004.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 16 of this paper.